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SPINE

AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 27, 2008

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of the United States Patent and Trademark Office dated June 27, 2008, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment

Remarks begin on page 8 of this Amendment

Examiner Cumberledge is thanked for the courtesy extended during the Examiner Interview held on September 22, 2008. Per our discussion, it is believed that independent claims 1, 15 and 24 overcome the pending rejections.